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#### Abstract

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program suggested just over a year ago by the government． ＂Wre are really very optimistic abour the future now，＂says Mr．Abdul，whose bank recendy increased its copiol by 25 percent．

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| countries to help the exchange rate levels stay within the comect ramge," a senior U.S Federal Reserve Board official told Reuters officials when But amod the soothing plrases generally employed by officiais when privately and publicly expressed the fear that the difficulty of controlling interest rates could prove to be the strategys Achimes heel. Everybody woold prefer to see "a certain stabinity in interest rates, said Edouard Balladur, the French finance minister, buit their levels "ceannot be decreed." A muxaber of central bankers made much the same point: They would prefer low interest rates, butt they might have to raise Any significant rise in interest rates world pose a double threat to the Lowvre strategy. It would dampen economic growth when Wasbington It also could undermine the precarious stability of the dollar, particularty the U.S. corrency, less atractive. <br> As it is, interest rates in Japan, West Germany and other countries have crept np, following those in the United States, over the past five months, Greenspan, the new Federal Reserve Board chairman, moved to increase Analysts have said the Fed moved partly to support the dollar. key Bundesban oficats in Wachinglon said uat a rise this month in a approach. Bat Japaris position has beem ambiguons. As the Washington meeerings began last weekend, the United States percent disconnt rate was imminent. Patoshi Sumita, the central benk governor, did so at first, but then told reporters that Japan had made no commitment He added that while the bank would not raise ivs key rate immediately, monetary policy should be filerible. $\qquad$ Kari Otto Poh, the Bundesbank president, said he was worried that West Germasn market rates were too high compared with ehose of the |
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